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United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) Office Action (Official Letter) About Applicant's Trademark Application

U.S. Application Serial No. 97701537

Mark: LEGAL HD

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Reference/Docket No. CRA.T.002

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NONFINAL OFFICE ACTION

Response deadline. File a response to this nonfinal Office action within three months of the "Issue date" below to avoid <u>abandonment</u> of the application. Review the Office action and respond using one of the links to the appropriate electronic forms in the "How to respond" section below.

Request an extension. For a fee, applicant may <u>request one three-month extension</u> of the response deadline prior to filing a response. The request must be filed within three months of the "Issue date" below. If the extension request is granted, the USPTO must receive applicant's response to this letter within six months of the "Issue date" to avoid abandonment of the application.

Issue date: September 5, 2023

The referenced application has been reviewed by the assigned trademark examining attorney. Applicant must respond timely and completely to the issue(s) below. 15 U.S.C. §1062(b); 37 C.F.R. §§2.62(a), 2.65(a); TMEP §§711, 718.03.

SUMMARY OF ISSUES:

• SECTION 2(e)(1) REFUSAL - MERELY DESCRIPTIVE

SEARCH OF USPTO DATABASE OF MARKS

The trademark examining attorney has searched the USPTO database of registered and pending marks and has found no conflicting marks that would bar registration under Trademark Act Section 2(d). 15 U.S.C. §1052(d); TMEP §704.02.

SECTION 2(e)(1) REFUSAL - MERELY DESCRIPTIVE

Registration is refused because the applied-for mark merely describes a feature, subject matter, purpose, or use of applicant's services. Trademark Act Section 2(e)(1), 15 U.S.C. §1052(e)(1); see TMEP §§1209.01(b), 1209.03 et seq.

In the present case, applicant seeks to register the applied-for mark "LEGAL HD" for "Legal Services; Legal Advisory Services; Legal Consultation Services."

Generally, if the individual components of a mark retain their descriptive meaning in relation to the goods and/or services, the combination results in a composite mark that is itself descriptive and not registrable. *In re Zuma Array Ltd.*, 2022 USPQ2d 736, at *7 (TTAB 2022); *In re Fat Boys Water Sports LLC*, 118 USPQ2d 1511, 1516 (TTAB 2016); TMEP §1209.03(d).

Only where the combination of descriptive terms creates a unitary mark with a unique, incongruous, or otherwise nondescriptive meaning in relation to the goods and/or services is the combined mark registrable. *See In re Omniome, Inc.*, 2020 USPQ2d 3222, at *4 (TTAB 2019) (citing *In re Colonial Stores, Inc.*, 394 F.2d 549, 551, 157 USPQ 382, 384 (C.C.P.A. 1968); *In re Shutts*, 217 USPQ 363, 364-65 (TTAB 1983)); *In re Positec Grp. Ltd.*, 108 USPQ2d 1161, 1162-63 (TTAB 2013).

In this case, both the individual components and the composite result are descriptive of applicant's services and do not create a unique, incongruous, or nondescriptive meaning in relation to the goods and/or services. Specifically, the wording "LEGAL" appears in applicant's identification of services and merely describes the feature or subject matter of the services. In addition, the attached evidence from https://www.acronymfinder.com/~/search/af.aspx?Acronym=HD&Category=All&Page=0&string=&s=a shows "HD" refers to "HELP DESK". At https://www.collinsdictionary.com/dictionary/english/help-desk#google_vignette shows the wording "HELP DESK" refers to "a special service that you can telephone or email in order to get information about a particular product or subject." Thus, the wording merely describes legal HD or help deskservices or a special service that you can telephone or email in order to get legal information. See, e.g., attachment at https://www.farwellrashkis.com/legal-help-desk/ (Legal Help Desk (Legal HD) is a pay by the minute legal advice and counseling service provided to those who are confronting a legal question or concern and want help figuring out where to

start, what to do, or if hiring a lawyer would be a good idea.)

The trademark examining attorney also refers to the excerpted materials from the Google search engine in which "HD" and "help desk" appeared in reference to "legal" services in the following stories. *See* attachments as follows:

- https://kgrlaw.com/lhd/ "KGR client members have access to our legal advice. . . . As a part of our Legal Help Desk partnerships, client members can receive legal guidance to help with dayto-day legal issues and concerns."
- https://lambdalegal.org/helpdesk/ "The Lambda Legal Help Desk is not able to assist with emergencies or immediate requests for legal assistance. . . . Lambda Legal's Help desk is a resource for the community we serve in providing general legal information and resources."
- https://www.welcoa.org/resources/legal-help-desk/ "Wellness Law Attorney, Barbara Zabawa, has partnered with WELCOA to offer a new member-exclusive legal help desk service."
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Although applicant's mark has been refused registration, applicant may respond to the refusal by submitting evidence and arguments in support of registration.

SUPPLEMENTAL REGISTER ADVISORY

Although an amendment to the Supplemental Register would be an appropriate response to this refusal in an application based on Trademark Act Section 1(a) or 44, such a response is not appropriate in the present case. The instant application was filed under Section 1(b) and is not eligible for registration on the Supplemental Register until an acceptable amendment to allege use meeting the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §2.76 has been timely filed. 37 C.F.R. §2.47(d); TMEP §§816.02, 1102.03.

If applicant files an acceptable allegation of use and also amends to the Supplemental Register, the application effective filing date will be the date applicant met the minimum filing requirements under 37 C.F.R. §2.76(c) for an amendment to allege use. TMEP §§816.02, 1102.03; *see* 37 C.F.R. §2.75(b). In addition, the undersigned trademark examining attorney will conduct a new search of the USPTO records for conflicting marks based on the later application filing date. TMEP §§206.01, 1102.03.

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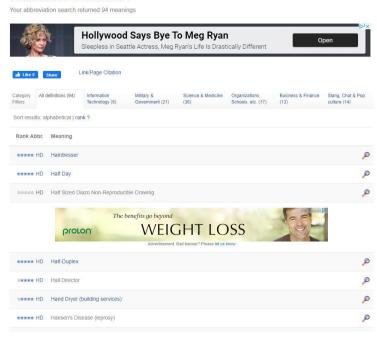
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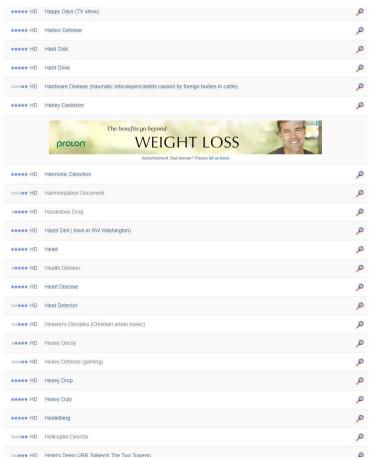
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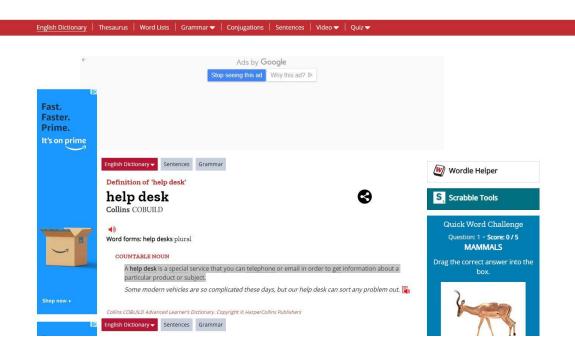






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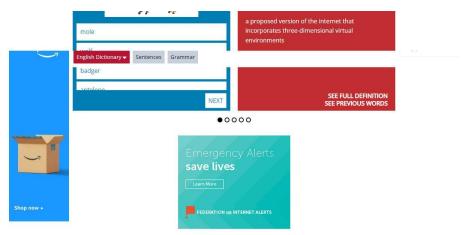
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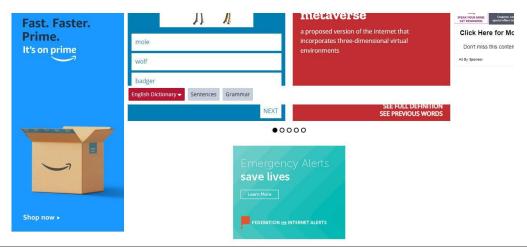














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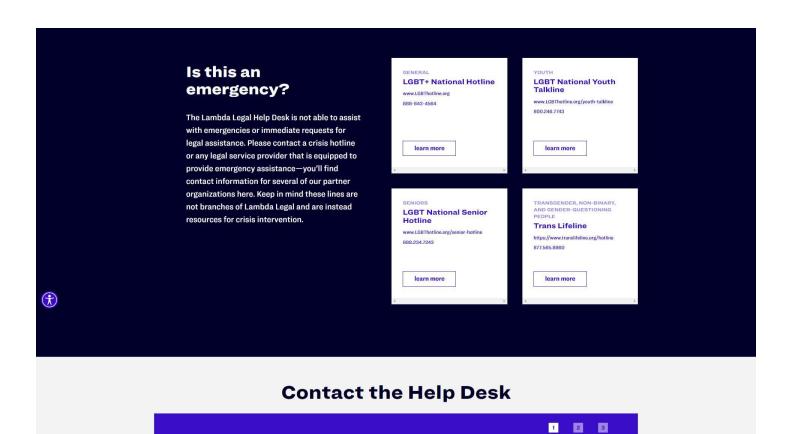
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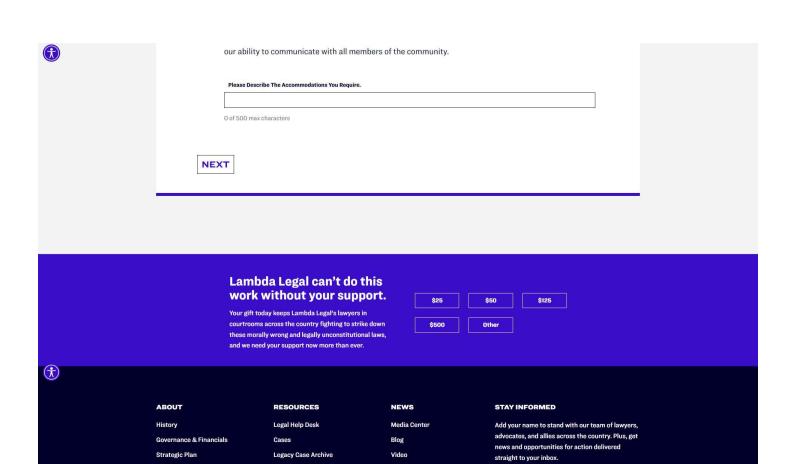


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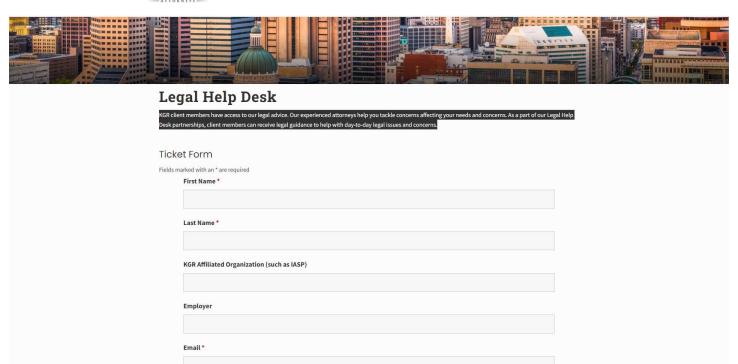


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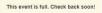
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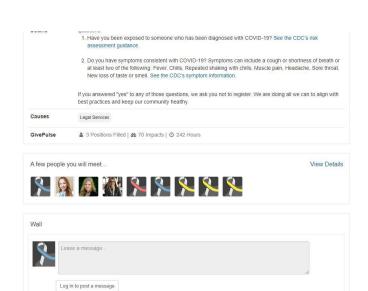
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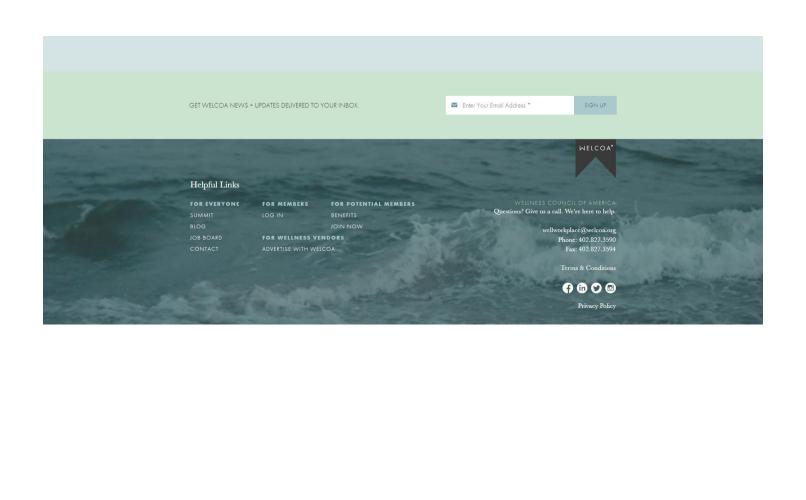
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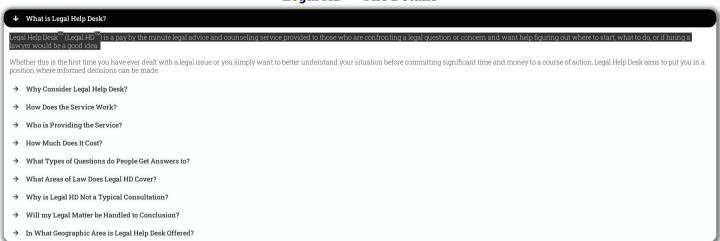
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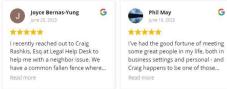
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USPTO OFFICIAL NOTICE

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A USPTO examining attorney has reviewed your trademark application and issued an Office action. You must respond to this Office action to avoid your application abandoning. Follow the steps below.

- (1) **Read the Office action**. This email is NOT the Office action.
- (2) **Respond to the Office action by the deadline** using the Trademark Electronic Application System (TEAS). Your response, or extension request, must be received by the USPTO on or before 11:59 p.m. **Eastern Time** of the last day of the response deadline. Otherwise, your application will be <u>abandoned</u>. See the Office action itself regarding how to respond.
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After reading the Office action, address any question(s) regarding the specific content to the USPTO examining attorney identified in the Office action.

GENERAL GUIDANCE

- <u>Check the status</u> of your application periodically in the <u>Trademark Status & Document Retrieval (TSDR)</u> database to avoid missing critical deadlines.
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